Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state.-

(a) whether Government';, attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated May 22, 1989 under the caption, "TN travel agents in man-power racket", regarding two travel agents' racketeering in sending workers to Singapore illegally; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Government to round up the racketeers detailing the particulars of those apprehended?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF\ STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF "PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALVrVA); *X&)* Yes, Sir.

(b) The matters has been, brought t\o the notice of Police Authorities for appropriate action.

Reduction in import duty on PIG iron

1306. " SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU; Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to reduce import duty, on pig iron; and

(b) if so, what is the present per-, centage of import duty after reduction and its effects on the prices of pig iron in the open marke

THE MTNISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHANLAL FOTEDAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The present overall import duty on pig iron after reduction is 45 per cent ad-valorem plus Rs. 200/- per tonne. This, along with enhanced indigenous production have stabilised the prices of Pig Iron in the open market.

Visit of high level officials **«f Delhi** Administration to Trans Yamuna **Areas**

1307. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of URBAN ' DEVELOPMENT be pleased fp state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a visit of high level officials of Delhi Administration and Lt. Governor has ■been organised to formulate the measures to tackle the various problems like c eaning, sewer-disposal, and drinking water in the trans-Yamuna areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the colonies proposed to be developed;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some localities including Delhi Development Authority Colony viz. the Shastri Park, have beeen ignored for providing such-facilities; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVE-, LOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) The information is. being , collected and will be laid on the j **Table** of the Sabha in due course.

Absorption of employees rendred jobless due to Jawahar Rozgar Yojana

1308. SHRI N. E. BALARAM; Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the-implementation of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana is "key to render abou, 20,000 employees of the District Rural Development Agencies jobless; and

(b) if so, in what manner Government propose to absorb these employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.